

HARDY–BLOCH TYPE SPACES AND LACUNARY SERIES ON THE POLYDISK

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Abstract. We extend the well-known Paley and Paley-Kahane-Khintchine inequalities on lacunary series to the unit polydisk of \mathbb{C}^n . Then we apply them to obtain sharp estimates for the mean growth in weighted spaces $h(p, \alpha)$, $h(p, \log(\alpha))$ of Hardy–Bloch type, consisting of functions n -harmonic in the polydisk. These spaces are closely related to the Bloch and mixed norm spaces and naturally arise as images under some fractional operators.

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1. Introduction and main results. Let $U^n = \{z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n : |z_j| < 1, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ be the unit polydisk in \mathbb{C}^n , and let $\mathbb{T}^n = \{w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n : |w_j| = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ be the n -dimensional torus, the distinguished boundary of U^n . We will deal with n -harmonic functions on the polydisk U^n , i.e. functions harmonic in each variable z_j separately. Denote by $H(U^n)$, $h(U^n)$ the sets of holomorphic and n -harmonic functions in U^n , respectively.

If $f(z) = f(r\zeta)$ is a measurable function in U^n , then we write

$$M_p(f; r) = \|f(r \cdot)\|_{L^p(\mathbb{T}^n; dm_n)}, \quad r = (r_1, \dots, r_n) \in I^n, \quad 0 < p \leq \infty,$$

where $I^n = (0, 1)^n$, dm_n is the n -dimensional Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{T}^n normalized so that $m_n(\mathbb{T}^n) = 1$. The collection of n -harmonic (holomorphic) functions $f(z)$, for which $\|f\|_{h^p} = \sup_{r \in I^n} M_p(f; r) < +\infty$, is the usual Hardy space h^p (respectively H^p).

The quasi-normed space $h(p, \alpha)$ ($0 < p \leq \infty$, $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$, $\alpha_j > 0$) is the set of those functions $f(z)$ n -harmonic in the polydisk U^n , for which the quasi-norm

$$\|f\|_{p, \alpha} = \sup_{r \in I^n} \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - r_j)^{\alpha_j} M_p(f; r)$$

is finite. Corresponding little spaces $h_0(p, \alpha)$ are defined by the conditions

$$(1 - r_j)^{\alpha_j} M_p(f; r) = o(1) \quad \text{as} \quad r_j \rightarrow 1^-$$

for each $j \in [1, n]$ separately. For the subspaces of $h(p, \alpha)$ consisting of holomorphic functions let

$$H(p, \alpha) = H(U^n) \cap h(p, \alpha), \quad H_0(p, \alpha) = H(U^n) \cap h_0(p, \alpha).$$

For $n = 1$ the spaces $H(p, \alpha)$ and $h(p, \alpha)$ have been studied by Flett [9, 10] in the frame of mixed norm spaces. If the gradient of a function f belongs to $h(\infty, 1)$ or $h_0(\infty, 1)$ we say that f is a Bloch or little Bloch function, respectively. See [1, 17] for basic properties of the Bloch space including higher dimensions.

Denote by $h(p, \log(\alpha))$ ($0 < p \leq \infty, \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n), \alpha_j > 0$) the set of those functions $f(z)$ n -harmonic in the polydisk U^n , for which the quasi-norm

$$\|f\|_{p, \log(\alpha)} = \sup_{r \in I^n} \left(\prod_{j=1}^n \log \frac{e}{1 - r_j} \right)^{-\alpha_j} M_p(f; r)$$

is finite. For the subspace of $h(p, \log(\alpha))$ consisting of holomorphic functions let $H(p, \log(\alpha)) = H(U^n) \cap h(p, \log(\alpha))$. One variable spaces $H(p, \log(\alpha))$ and more general “integrated” spaces of Hardy–Bloch type are studied in [11].

Recall that a sequence $\{n_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ of positive integers is said to be lacunary (or Hadamard) if there exists a constant $\lambda > 1$ such that $\frac{n_{k+1}}{n_k} \geq \lambda$ for all $k = 1, 2, \dots$. A corresponding power series is called a lacunary series.

Lacunary series in classical function spaces such as Bloch, Bergman, Besov, Dirichlet, Q -type spaces, have been extensively studied recently ([2, 3, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19]). The purpose of the present paper is to characterize lacunary series in the weighted spaces $H(p, \alpha)$ and $H_0(p, \alpha)$ of Hardy–Bloch type (see Theorems 3 and 4) and to estimate the mean growth in $h(p, \alpha)$ and $h(p, \log(\alpha))$, see Theorem 5. To this end, we begin by extending in Theorems 1 and 2 the classical inequalities of Paley ([20, Ch. XII, Th. 7.8], [8, p. 104], [16, p. 170]) and Paley-Kahane-Khintchine ([20, Ch. V, Th. 8.20], [16, p. 172]) to the polydisk.

THEOREM 1. (Paley’s theorem for the polydisk)

Let a holomorphic function

$$f(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} a_{k_1 \dots k_n} z_1^{k_1} \dots z_n^{k_n}, \quad z \in U^n,$$

be of Hardy space H^1 . Then for any lacunary sequences $\{m_{j,k_j}\}_{k_j=1}^\infty, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\left(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}^n} |a_{m_{1,k_1} \dots m_{n,k_n}}|^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq C \|f\|_{H^1}, \tag{1.1}$$

where the constant $C > 0$ is independent of f .

THEOREM 2. (Paley-Kahane-Khintchine inequalities for the polydisk)

Let $\{m_{j,k_j}\}_{k_j=1}^\infty, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ be arbitrary lacunary sequences and $f(z)$ be a holomorphic function in U^n given by a convergent lacunary series

$$f(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}^n} a_{k_1 \dots k_n} z_1^{m_{1,k_1}} \dots z_n^{m_{n,k_n}}, \quad z \in U^n.$$

Then for any $p, 0 < p < \infty, f$ is in Hardy space H^p if and only if $\{a_k\} \in \ell^2$. Moreover, the corresponding norms are equivalent:

$$C_1 \|f\|_{H^p} \leq \left(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}^n} |a_{k_1 \dots k_n}|^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq C_2 \|f\|_{H^p}, \tag{1.2}$$

where the constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ are independent of f .

Theorem 2 asserts in fact that if a lacunary series is in some Hardy space, then it is in all Hardy spaces on the polydisk.

In the next two theorems we characterize lacunary series in the weighted spaces $H(p, \alpha)$ and $H_0(p, \alpha)$ of Hardy–Bloch type.

THEOREM 3. *Let $\{m_{j,k_j}\}_{k_j=1}^\infty, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ be arbitrary lacunary sequences, $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n), \alpha_j > 0$, and $f(z)$ be a holomorphic function in U^n given by a convergent lacunary series*

$$f(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}^n} a_{k_1 \dots k_n} m_{1,k_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots m_{n,k_n}^{\alpha_n} z_1^{m_{1,k_1}} \dots z_n^{m_{n,k_n}}, \quad z \in U^n.$$

Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (a) $f(z) \in H(\infty, \alpha)$;
- (b) $f(z) \in H(p, \alpha)$ for some $p, 0 < p < \infty$;
- (c) $f(z) \in H(p, \alpha)$ for all $p, 0 < p < \infty$;
- (d) $\{a_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}^n} \in \ell^\infty$.

Also, corresponding norms are equivalent.

The next assertion is a “little oh” version of Theorem 3.

THEOREM 4. *Let $\{m_{j,k_j}\}_{k_j=1}^\infty, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ be arbitrary lacunary sequences, $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n), \alpha_j > 0$, and $f(z)$ be a holomorphic function in U^n given by a convergent lacunary series*

$$f(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}^n} a_{k_1 \dots k_n} m_{1,k_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots m_{n,k_n}^{\alpha_n} z_1^{m_{1,k_1}} \dots z_n^{m_{n,k_n}}, \quad z \in U^n.$$

the following statements are equivalent:

- (a) $f(z) \in H_0(\infty, \alpha)$;
- (b) $f(z) \in H_0(p, \alpha)$ for some p with $0 < p < \infty$;
- (c) $f(z) \in H_0(p, \alpha)$ for all p with $0 < p < \infty$;
- (d) $\lim_{k_j \rightarrow \infty} a_{k_1 \dots k_n} = 0$ for each $j \in [1, n]$.

Finally, as an application, we establish in Theorem 5 sharp estimates for the mean growth in the weighted spaces $h(p, \alpha), h(p, \log(\alpha))$. In particular, in (1.5)–(1.6) below we generalize and improve the well-known inequality of Clunie and MacGregor [7] and Makarov [15], and also another inequality of Girela and Peláez [12]. For all the inequalities we give quick and simple proofs.

Below we will write $T : X \rightarrow Y$ if T is a bounded operator mapping X to Y , i.e. $\|Tf\|_Y \leq C\|f\|_X \forall f \in X$.

THEOREM 5. *If $\alpha_j > 0 (1 \leq j \leq n)$, then the following relations hold:*

$$(i) \quad \mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} : h(p, \alpha) \rightarrow h(p, \log(1/p)), \quad 0 < p \leq 2, \quad (1.3)$$

$$(ii) \quad \mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} : h(p, \alpha) \rightarrow h(p, \log(1/2)), \quad 2 \leq p < \infty, \quad (1.4)$$

$$(iii) \quad \mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} : h(p, \alpha) \rightarrow h(\infty, 1/p), \quad 0 < p < \infty, \quad (1.5)$$

$$(iv) \quad \mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} : h(\infty, \alpha) \rightarrow h(p, \log(1/2)), \quad 0 < p < \infty, \quad (1.6)$$

$$(v) \quad \mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} : h(\infty, \alpha) \rightarrow h(\infty, \log(1)). \quad (1.7)$$

All the relations (1.3)–(1.7) are best possible in the sense that for every relation $\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} : X \rightarrow Y$ there exists a function $f \in h(U^n)$ such that $\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}f\|_Y \approx \|f\|_X$.

REMARK 1. In the particular case $n = 1, \alpha = 1$ and ordinary derivatives of holomorphic functions corresponding results are known: for the relation (1.3) see [12, p. 461]; for the relation (1.4) see [11, Th. 1.1]; for (1.5) see [12, p. 467] ($p \geq 1/2$); for (1.6) see [7, p. 364] and [15, p. 374]; for (1.7) see, e.g., [12, p. 460].

2. Notation and preliminaries. We will use the conventional multi-index notation: $r\zeta = (r_1\zeta_1, \dots, r_n\zeta_n), dr = dr_1 \cdots dr_n, (1 - |\zeta|)^\alpha = \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - |\zeta_j|)^{\alpha_j}, \Gamma(\alpha) = \prod_{j=1}^n \Gamma(\alpha_j)$ for $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^n, r \in I^n, \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$. Let $\mathbb{Z}^n, \mathbb{N}^n, \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ denote the sets of all n -tuples of integers, positive integers, nonnegative integers, respectively. Throughout the paper, the letters $C(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \dots), C_\alpha$ etc. stand for positive constants possibly different at different places and depending only on the parameters indicated. For $A, B > 0$, the notation $A \approx B$ denotes the two-sided estimate $c_1A \leq B \leq c_2A$ with some inessential positive constants c_1 and c_2 independent of the variable involved. The symbol dm_{2n} means the Lebesgue measure on the polydisk U^n normalized so that $m_{2n}(U^n) = 1$. For a function $f(z) = f(r\zeta), r \in I^n, \zeta \in \mathbb{T}^n$, given on U^n , we will use integro-differential operators of two types: Riemann–Liouville fractional operators D^α and \mathcal{D}^α , and also Hadamard’s operator \mathcal{F}^α with respect to the variable $r \in I^n$:

$$D^{-\alpha}f(z) = \frac{r^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{I^n} (1 - \eta)^{\alpha-1} f(\eta z) d\eta, \quad D^\alpha f(z) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r}\right)^m D^{-(m-\alpha)}f(z),$$

$$\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}f(r\zeta) = r^{-\alpha} D^{-\alpha}f(r\zeta), \quad \mathcal{D}^\alpha f(r\zeta) = D^\alpha \{r^\alpha f(r\zeta)\},$$

$$\mathcal{F}^{-\alpha}f(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{I^n} \prod_{j=1}^n \left(\log \frac{1}{\eta_j}\right)^{\alpha_j-1} f(\eta z) d\eta,$$

$$\mathcal{F}^m f(z) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \cdot r\right)^m f(z), \quad \mathcal{F}^\alpha f(z) = \mathcal{F}^{-(m-\alpha)} \mathcal{F}^m f(z),$$

where $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r}\right)^m = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r_1}\right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r_n}\right)^{m_n}, m = (m_1, \dots, m_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n), \alpha_j > 0, m_j - 1 < \alpha_j \leq m_j (1 \leq j \leq n)$. It is easily seen that if f is n -harmonic (or holomorphic), then so are $\mathcal{D}^\alpha f, \mathcal{F}^\alpha f$ for any $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n), \alpha_j \in \mathbb{R}$, and the following

inversion formulas hold

$$\mathcal{D}^\alpha \mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} f(z) = f(z), \quad \mathcal{F}^\alpha \mathcal{F}^{-\alpha} f(z) = f(z). \tag{2.1}$$

It is evident from the definition that $\mathcal{F}^\alpha f = \mathcal{F}_{r_1}^{\alpha_1} \mathcal{F}_{r_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots \mathcal{F}_{r_n}^{\alpha_n} f$, for any $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$, where $\mathcal{F}_{r_j}^{\alpha_j}$ means the same operator acting in direction r_j only. There is an equivalent definition for \mathcal{F}^α suitable only for n -harmonic functions. For every function $f \in h(U^n)$ having a series expansion $f(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} a_k r^{|k|} e^{ik \cdot \theta}$, where $r^{|k|} = r_1^{|k_1|} \dots r_n^{|k_n|}$, $k \cdot \theta = k_1 \theta_1 + \dots + k_n \theta_n$, we can write

$$\mathcal{F}^\alpha f(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \prod_{j=1}^n (1 + |k_j|)^{\alpha_j} a_k r^{|k|} e^{ik \cdot \theta}.$$

LEMMA 1. *If $\alpha_j > 0$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$), $0 < p \leq 2$, then for all $u \in h(U^n)$*

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u\|_{h^p} \leq C \left(\int_{U^n} (1 - |z|)^{\alpha p - 1} |u(z)|^p dm_{2n}(z) \right)^{1/p}. \tag{2.2}$$

The one variable version of (2.2) is known and can be deduced from [9, Th. 2] and the fact that harmonic conjugation is bounded in Bergman spaces consisting of harmonic functions in the unit disk, see [10]. The inequality (2.2) can be proved by an iteration of that in one variable.

LEMMA 2. *If $\alpha_j > 0$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$), $2 \leq p < \infty$, then for all $u \in h(U^n)$*

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u\|_{h^p} \leq C \left(\int_{I^n} (1 - r)^{2\alpha - 1} M_p^2(u; r) dr \right)^{1/2}. \tag{2.3}$$

Proof. A modification of the Littlewood–Paley type inequality ([5], [6]) gives

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u\|_{h^p} \leq C(p, \alpha, n) \left\| \|(1 - r)^\alpha u\|_{L^2(dr/(1-r))} \right\|_{L^p(\mathbb{T}^n)}$$

for all $u \in h(U^n)$. An application of Minkowski’s inequality immediately yields

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u\|_{h^p} \leq C(p, \alpha, n) \left\| (1 - r)^\alpha \|u\|_{L^p(\mathbb{T}^n)} \right\|_{L^2(dr/(1-r))}$$

which coincides with (2.3). □

3. Proofs of Theorems 1–4. In the proofs of Theorems 1 and 2 we will use some arguments of Pavlović [16, Sec. 11] together with Littlewood–Paley type inequalities obtained by the author in [5, 6].

Without loss of generality we may assume that $n = 2$ in proofs below.

Proof of Theorem 1. According to a Littlewood–Paley type inequality (see [5], [6])

$$\left\| \|(1 - r) \mathcal{F}^1 f\|_{L^2(dr/(1-r))} \right\|_{L^p(\mathbb{T}^n)} \leq C \|f\|_{H^p} \quad \text{for any } 0 < p < \infty. \tag{3.1}$$

Assuming $0 < p \leq 2$ we can apply Minkowski’s inequality to (3.1) and get

$$\|(1 - r) M_p(\mathcal{F}^1 f; r)\|_{L^2(dr/(1-r))} \leq C \|f\|_{H^p}. \tag{3.2}$$

For two lacunary sequences $\{m_{j,k_j}\}_{k_j=1}^\infty$, $j = 1, 2$ there exist $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 1$ such that

$$\frac{m_{j,k_j+1}}{m_{j,k_j}} \geq \lambda_j \quad \text{for all} \quad k_j = 1, 2, \dots, \quad j = 1, 2.$$

Choosing two strictly increasing sequences

$$r_{1,k_1} = 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda_1^{k_1}}, \quad r_{2,k_2} = 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda_2^{k_2}}, \quad k_1, k_2 = 1, 2, \dots,$$

and $p = 1$ in (3.2), we can estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{H^1}^2 &\geq C \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (1-r) M_1^2(\mathcal{F}^1 f; r) dr_1 dr_2 \\ &\geq C \sum_{k_1=1}^\infty \sum_{k_2=1}^\infty \int_{r_{1,k_1}}^{r_{1,k_1+1}} \int_{r_{2,k_2}}^{r_{2,k_2+1}} (1-r) M_1^2(\mathcal{F}^1 f; r) dr_1 dr_2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

Consider the intervals $I_{k_1}^{(1)} = [\lambda_1^{k_1}, \lambda_1^{k_1+1})$, $I_{k_2}^{(2)} = [\lambda_2^{k_2}, \lambda_2^{k_2+1})$, $k_1, k_2 = 1, 2, \dots$. Each interval $I_{k_j}^{(j)}$ contains no more than one number from $\{m_{j,k_j}\}$. We may assume that each interval $I_{k_j}^{(j)}$ contains just one such number, namely $\lambda_j^{k_j} \leq m_{j,k_j} < \lambda_j^{k_j+1}$, $k_j \in \mathbb{N}$, $j = 1, 2$. We can now estimate the Taylor coefficients of the series

$$\mathcal{F}^1 f(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{k_1=0}^\infty \sum_{k_2=0}^\infty (1+k_1)(1+k_2) a_{k_1 k_2} z_1^{k_1} z_2^{k_2}.$$

By Cauchy’s integral formula

$$(1+k_1)(1+k_2) |a_{k_1 k_2}| \leq \frac{1}{r_1^{k_1} r_2^{k_2}} M_1(\mathcal{F}^1 f; r_1, r_2), \quad k_1, k_2 = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

So, we can continue (3.3)

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{r_{1,k_1}}^{r_{1,k_1+1}} \int_{r_{2,k_2}}^{r_{2,k_2+1}} (1-r) M_1^2(\mathcal{F}^1 f; r) dr_1 dr_2 \\ &\geq \prod_{j=1}^2 (1+k_j)^2 |a_{k_1 k_2}|^2 \int_{r_{1,k_1}}^{r_{1,k_1+1}} \int_{r_{2,k_2}}^{r_{2,k_2+1}} (1-r_1)(1-r_2) r_1^{2k_1} r_2^{2k_2} dr_1 dr_2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

The inner integrals can be estimated as follows ($j = 1, 2$)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{r_{j,k_j}}^{r_{j,k_j+1}} (1-r_j) r_j^{2k_j} dr_j &\geq (1-r_{j,k_j+1}) r_{j,k_j}^{2k_j} (r_{j,k_j+1} - r_{j,k_j}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda_j^{k_j+1}} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_j^{k_j}} - \frac{1}{\lambda_j^{k_j+1}} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda_j^{k_j}} \right)^{2k_j}. \end{aligned}$$

By taking $k_j = m_{j,k_j} \geq 1$, $k_j = 1, 2, \dots$, we conclude that

$$\int_{r_{j,k_j}}^{r_{j,k_j+1}} (1 - r_j) r_j^{2m_{j,k_j}} dr_j \geq C(\lambda_j) \frac{1}{m_{j,k_j}^2}.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{r_{1,k_1}}^{r_{1,k_1+1}} \int_{r_{2,k_2}}^{r_{2,k_2+1}} (1 - r) M_1^2(\mathcal{F}^1 f; r) dr_1 dr_2 \\ & \geq \prod_{j=1}^2 (1 + m_{j,k_j})^2 |a_{m_{1,k_1} m_{2,k_2}}|^2 \frac{C(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}{m_{1,k_1}^2 m_{2,k_2}^2} \geq C(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) |a_{m_{1,k_1} m_{2,k_2}}|^2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

A combination of inequalities (3.3)–(3.5) completes the proof of Theorem 1. □

Proof of Theorem 2. We distinguish three cases.

Case $1 \leq p \leq 2$. It is obvious that $\|f\|_{H^p} \leq \|f\|_{H^2} = \|\{a_k\}\|_{\ell^2}$. On the other side, the converse inequality $\|\{a_k\}\|_{\ell^2} \leq C\|f\|_{H^1} \leq C\|f\|_{H^p}$ follows immediately from Theorem 1.

Case $0 < p < 1$. Again the inequality $\|f\|_{H^p} \leq \|f\|_{H^2} = \|\{a_k\}\|_{\ell^2}$ is obvious. For proving the converse inequality, assume that $f(z)$ is continuous in a neighborhood of the closure of U^n . Then, by the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality,

$$\|f\|_{H^1} = \sup_{r \in I^2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} |f(rw)|^{p/2} |f(rw)|^{1-p/2} dm_2(w) \leq \|f\|_{H^p}^{p/2} \|f\|_{H^{2-p}}^{(2-p)/2}.$$

Since by the previous case $\|f\|_{H^2} \leq C\|f\|_{H^1}$,

$$\|f\|_{H^1} \leq C\|f\|_{H^p}^{p/2} \|f\|_{H^1}^{(2-p)/2}.$$

It follows that $\|f\|_{H^p} \geq C\|f\|_{H^1} \geq C\|f\|_{H^2} = C\|\{a_k\}\|_{\ell^2}$. For arbitrary function $f \in H(U^n)$ we apply the inequality (1.2) to the dilated function $f_\rho(z) = f(\rho z)$, $\rho \in I^2$, and then the result follows by letting $\rho_1, \rho_2 \rightarrow 1$.

Case $2 < p < \infty$. The inequality $\|\{a_k\}\|_{\ell^2} \leq \|f\|_{H^p}$ is clear. So it remains to prove the converse inequality. Consider the identity operator $(If)(z) = f(z)$. If $q = p/(p - 1)$ is the conjugate index of p , then $1 < q < 2 < p < \infty$ and by the first case $\|If\|_{H^2} \leq C\|f\|_{H^q}$. In view of the self-conjugacy of the identity operator, we finally get $\|f\|_{H^p} = \|If\|_{H^p} \leq C\|f\|_{H^2}$. □

Proof of Theorem 4. The implication (a) \Rightarrow (b) is obvious because of the elementary inclusion $H(\infty, \alpha) \subset H(p, \alpha)$.

The implication (b) \Rightarrow (c) follows from Theorem 2 which says that $M_p(f; r) \approx M_s(f; r)$ for any $s, 0 < s < \infty$.

For proving the implication (c) \Rightarrow (d), let $f(z) \in H_0(p, \alpha)$ for any $p, 0 < p < \infty$. In particular, $(1 - r)^\alpha M_1(f; r_1, r_2) = o(1)$ as $r_1 \rightarrow 1^-$ or $r_2 \rightarrow 1^-$. By Cauchy’s integral

formula

$$|a_{k_1 k_2}| m_{1,k_1}^{\alpha_1} m_{2,k_2}^{\alpha_2} = \left| \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^2} \int_{|\zeta_1|=r_1} \int_{|\zeta_2|=r_2} \frac{f(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) d\zeta_1 d\zeta_2}{\zeta_1^{1+m_{1,k_1}} \zeta_2^{1+m_{2,k_2}}} \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{m_{1,k_1}^{\alpha_1} m_{2,k_2}^{\alpha_2}} M_1(f; r_1, r_2) = \frac{(1-r_1)^{\alpha_1} (1-r_2)^{\alpha_2} M_1(f; r_1, r_2)}{(1-r_1)^{\alpha_1} (1-r_2)^{\alpha_2} r_1^{m_{1,k_1}} r_2^{m_{2,k_2}}}$$

for any $r = (r_1, r_2) \in I^2$ and $k_1, k_2 = 1, 2, \dots$. Taking $r_j = 1 - 1/m_{j,k_j}$, $j = 1, 2$, we conclude that

$$|a_{k_1 k_2}| \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{m_{1,k_1}}\right)^{-m_{1,k_1}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m_{2,k_2}}\right)^{-m_{2,k_2}}$$

$$\times \left(\frac{1}{m_{1,k_1}}\right)^{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{1}{m_{2,k_2}}\right)^{\alpha_2} M_1\left(f; 1 - \frac{1}{m_{1,k_1}}, 1 - \frac{1}{m_{2,k_2}}\right) = o(1)$$

as $k_1 \rightarrow \infty$ or $k_2 \rightarrow \infty$.

We now turn to the proof of the implication (d) \Rightarrow (a). Let $a_{k_1 k_2} = o(1)$ as $k_1 \rightarrow \infty$ or $k_2 \rightarrow \infty$. Given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a number $k_1^0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|a_{k_1 k_2}| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } k_1 > k_1^0 \quad \text{and fixed } k_2.$$

Applying Hadamard’s operator $\mathcal{F}^{1-\alpha}$ to the function $f(z)$ we get

$$\mathcal{F}^{1-\alpha} f(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{k_1, k_2=1}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^2 (1 + m_{j,k_j})^{1-\alpha_j} m_{j,k_j}^{\alpha_j} \cdot a_{k_1 k_2} z_1^{m_{1,k_1}} z_2^{m_{2,k_2}},$$

which implies that

$$|\mathcal{F}^{1-\alpha} f(z_1, z_2)| \leq C(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \sum_{k_2=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k_1=1}^{\infty} |a_{k_1 k_2}| m_{1,k_1} r_1^{m_{1,k_1}} \right) m_{2,k_2} r_2^{m_{2,k_2}}.$$

Next, we break the inner sum into two sums

$$\sum_{k_1=1}^{\infty} |a_{k_1 k_2}| m_{1,k_1} r_1^{m_{1,k_1}} = \left(\sum_{k_1=1}^{k_1^0} + \sum_{k_1=k_1^0+1}^{\infty} \right) |a_{k_1 k_2}| m_{1,k_1} r_1^{m_{1,k_1}}. \tag{3.6}$$

For the finite sum in (3.6) we can find $r_1^0 < 1$ such that

$$(1 - r_1) \sum_{k_1=1}^{k_1^0} |a_{k_1 k_2}| m_{1,k_1} r_1^{m_{1,k_1}} < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } r_1 \in (r_1^0, 1). \tag{3.7}$$

The last sum in (3.6) can be estimated as follows. It is easily seen that

$$m_{1,k_1+1} \leq \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 - 1} (m_{1,k_1+1} - m_{1,k_1}).$$

Consequently

$$m_{1,k_1+1} r_1^{m_{1,k_1+1}} \leq \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 - 1} [r_1^{1+m_{1,k_1}} + r_1^{2+m_{1,k_1}} + \dots + r_1^{m_{1,k_1+1}}].$$

It follows that

$$\sum_{k_1=k_1^0+1}^{\infty} |a_{k_1 k_2}| m_{1,k_1} r_1^{m_{1,k_1}} < \varepsilon \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 - 1} \sum_{k_1=1}^{\infty} r_1^{k_1} = \varepsilon C(\lambda_1) \frac{1}{1 - r_1}. \tag{3.8}$$

Combining (3.6)–(3.8), we obtain that for all $r_1 \in (r_1^0, 1)$

$$(1 - r_1) M_{\infty}(\mathcal{F}^{1-\alpha} f; r_1, r_2) \leq \varepsilon C(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \lambda_1) \sum_{k_2=1}^{\infty} m_{2,k_2} r_2^{m_{2,k_2}}.$$

Hence

$$(1 - r_1) M_{\infty}(\mathcal{F}^{1-\alpha} f; r_1, r_2) = o(1) \quad \text{as} \quad r_1 \rightarrow 1^-.$$

One can show in the same manner that

$$(1 - r_2) M_{\infty}(\mathcal{F}^{1-\alpha} f; r_1, r_2) = o(1) \quad \text{as} \quad r_2 \rightarrow 1^-.$$

Thus, $\mathcal{F}^{1-\alpha} f \in H_0(\infty, 1)$. Since Hadamard’s operator is invertible, we can now twice apply the rule of fractional integro-differentiation in mixed norm spaces (see [10, Th. 6]) in each variable r_1 and r_2 , and obtain

$$f(z) = \mathcal{F}^{\alpha-1} \mathcal{F}^{1-\alpha} f(z) \in H_0(\infty, 1 + (\alpha - 1)) = H_0(\infty, \alpha).$$

This completes proof of Theorem 4. □

Theorem 3 can be proved more easily and so we omit the details.

4. Proof of Theorem 5. *Proof of (i).* Let $u \in h(p, \alpha)$ for some $0 < p \leq 2$ and $\alpha_j > 0$. We first apply Lemma 1 to the dilated function $u_{\rho}(z) = u(\rho z)$, $\rho \in I^n$,

$$M_p(\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u; \rho r) \leq C \left(\int_{U^n} (1 - |z|)^{\alpha p - 1} |u(\rho z)|^p dm_{2n}(z) \right)^{1/p}, \quad \rho, r \in I^n.$$

Fatou’s lemma and further estimation yield

$$\begin{aligned} M_p^p(\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u; \rho) &\leq C \int_{I^n} (1 - r)^{\alpha p - 1} M_p^p(u; \rho r) dr \\ &\leq C \|u\|_{p, \alpha}^p \int_{I^n} \frac{(1 - r)^{\alpha p - 1}}{(1 - \rho r)^{\alpha p}} dr \leq C \|u\|_{p, \alpha}^p \prod_{j=1}^n \log \frac{e}{1 - \rho_j} \end{aligned}$$

for any $\rho \in I^n$. Thus,

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u\|_{p, \log(1/p)} \leq C \|u\|_{p, \alpha}, \quad 0 < p \leq 2. \tag{4.1}$$

The inequality (4.1) is sharp because of the example

$$f_1(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{(1 - z_j)^{\alpha_j + 1/p}}, \quad z \in U^n. \tag{4.2}$$

It is easy to compute that

$$(1 - r)^\alpha M_p(f_1; r) \approx 1, \quad M_p(\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} f_1; r) \approx \left(\prod_{j=1}^n \log \frac{e}{1 - r_j} \right)^{1/p}.$$

Proof of (ii). Let $u \in h(p, \alpha)$ for some $2 \leq p < \infty$ and $\alpha_j > 0$. Lemma 2, together with Fatou’s lemma, yields

$$\begin{aligned} M_p^2(\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u; \rho) &\leq C \int_{I^n} (1 - r)^{2\alpha - 1} M_p^2(u; \rho r) dr \\ &\leq C \|u\|_{p,\alpha}^2 \int_{I^n} \frac{(1 - r)^{2\alpha - 1}}{(1 - \rho r)^{2\alpha}} dr \leq C \|u\|_{p,\alpha}^2 \prod_{j=1}^n \log \frac{e}{1 - \rho_j} \end{aligned}$$

for any $\rho \in I^n$. Thus,

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} u\|_{p, \log(1/2)} \leq C \|u\|_{p,\alpha}, \quad 2 \leq p < \infty. \tag{4.3}$$

The function given by the lacunary series

$$f_2(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} 2^{\alpha_1 k_1} \dots 2^{\alpha_n k_n} z_1^{2^{k_1}} \dots z_n^{2^{k_n}}, \quad z \in U^n, \tag{4.4}$$

provides an example showing the sharpness of the inequality (4.3). Indeed, by Theorem 2

$$M_p(f_2; r) \approx \left(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} 2^{2\alpha k} r^{2^{k+1}} \right)^{1/2} \approx \frac{r}{(1 - r)^\alpha} \equiv \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{r_j}{(1 - r_j)^{\alpha_j}}$$

whenever $r \in I^n$. The last estimate can be found for instance in [8, p. 66]. On the other hand,

$$\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} f_2(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} 2^{\alpha k} \left(\int_{I^n} (1 - \eta)^{\alpha - 1} \eta^{2^k} d\eta \right) z^{2^k},$$

and

$$M_p(\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha} f_2; r) \approx \left(\prod_{j=1}^n \log \frac{e}{1 - r_j} \right)^{1/2}. \tag{4.5}$$

Proof of (iii). Let $u \in h(p, \alpha)$ for some $0 < p < \infty$ and $\alpha_j > 0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}u; r) &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{I^n} (1-r)^{\alpha-1} M_\infty(u; \eta r) d\eta \\ &\leq \|u\|_{\infty, \alpha+1/p} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{I^n} \frac{(1-\eta)^{\alpha-1}}{(1-\eta r)^{\alpha+1/p}} d\eta \\ &\leq C(\alpha, p, n) \|u\|_{\infty, \alpha+1/p} \frac{1}{(1-r)^{1/p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently $\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}u\|_{\infty, 1/p} \leq C\|u\|_{\infty, \alpha+1/p}$. According to the continuous inclusion $h(p, \alpha) \subset h(\infty, \alpha + 1/p)$, see [4, p. 733], we deduce that

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}u\|_{\infty, 1/p} \leq C\|u\|_{p, \alpha}.$$

The inequality is sharp because of example (4.2), which can easily be checked.

Proof of (iv). Let $u \in h(\infty, \alpha)$ for some $0 < p < \infty$ and $\alpha_j > 0$. By (1.4) and the increasing property of M_p in p ,

$$\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}u\|_{p, \log(1/2)} \leq \|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}u\|_{\max\{2, p\}, \log(1/2)} \leq C\|u\|_{\max\{2, p\}, \alpha} \leq C\|u\|_{\infty, \alpha}.$$

The inequality is sharp because of example (4.4). Indeed, estimating as in the proof of (ii), we obtain (4.5) and

$$M_\infty(f_2; r) \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} 2^{\alpha k} r^{2^k} \approx \frac{r}{(1-r)^\alpha}, \quad r \in I^n.$$

Hence, $\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}f_2\|_{p, \log(1/2)} \approx \|f_2\|_{\infty, \alpha}$.

Proof of (v). Let $u(z) \in h(\infty, \alpha)$ be any function. Then

$$\begin{aligned} M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}u; r) &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{I^n} (1-\eta)^{\alpha-1} M_\infty(u; \eta r) d\eta \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \|u\|_{\infty, \alpha} \int_{I^n} \frac{(1-\eta)^{\alpha-1}}{(1-\eta r)^\alpha} d\eta \leq C_\alpha \|u\|_{\infty, \alpha} \prod_{j=1}^n \log \frac{e}{1-r_j}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\|\mathcal{D}^{-\alpha}u\|_{\infty, \log(1)} \leq C\|u\|_{\infty, \alpha}$. The inequality is sharp because of the example $f_3(z) = 1/(1-z)^\alpha$, $\alpha_j > 0$. This completes the proof of Theorem 5. \square

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